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Subject: SI and H Experimentation, 9 January 1952

On Wednesday, 9 January 1952, SI and H experiments were carried on in Building 13, Room 20, with Misses [redacted] and [redacted] and [redacted] and Messrs [redacted] and [redacted].

Since this was the initial visit of the Miss[redacted] and [redacted] and [redacted], it was decided that a basic explanation would be given all subjects before tests for suggestibility were begun. All subjects were carefully instructed in the nature of the work carried on in this office, were cautioned as to the secrecy of the matters involved, and the use of volunteer subjects in our experimental work. Specific details and secret, technical matters were, of course, omitted.

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The first test made on all subjects was the standard "falling back" test; none of the subjects were particularly suggestible to the test, although all experienced a slight swaying.

The second test run was the standard "hand raising" test and, in each case, each subject succeeded in responding successfully to the test. Of particular note, is the fact that [redacted] in responding to the test, raised her left hand with great facility while her right hand was hardly responsive at all. A full explanation of this phenomena will be sought after a greater depth has been reached in the subjects.

After the conclusion of the first two tests, a general discussion was again held and a very slow relaxation test was run on all three subjects. In this case, [redacted] and [redacted] reached a reasonably good relaxation, but [redacted] was, unfortunately, seized by a spell of coughing and was prevented from completing the relaxation exercise.

The evening's work was concluded after a short discussion on general matters at approximately -- 9:00 PM.

Comment: In the opinion of [redacted] and [redacted] the first tests were about normal and future ability along hypnotic lines in the case of Misses [redacted] and [redacted] and [redacted] could not accurately be predicted.

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